

The GRAPEVINE

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From the Administrator's Desk...

Some thought we were climbing out on a limb when we announced opening Madison Hall for the rehabilitation of veterans returning from Iraq and Afghanistan. We had no money for the program. Some may have thought the California National Guard 578th and the 579th Engineer Battalions were squandering their time when they spent their weekends refurbishing and polishing the building. Some thought it premature when we named the project "The Pathway Home." We continued to talk about the program to news media whenever the opportunity arose.



An anonymous donor just granted us \$5.6 million which will provide for all initial start-up costs and cover operating expenses for three years. By that time the project is expected to become self sustaining through partnerships and endowments.

The Pathway Home project will combine proven and innovative treatment methods to provide transition support for returning veterans and their families. They will remain with us from 60 to 120 days, and then return to their communities with aftercare. The Pathway Home will remain in contact until they are successfully reintegrated into their communities. While this program is new, it is actually part of our tradition. The Veterans Home in Yountville has cared for veterans of every conflict since the Civil War. It is exciting and fulfilling to continue our mission.

A Matter of Security

by Carl Kilgore, Security Officer; photo by Chris Williams

"IN CASE OF FIRE" ... notices are posted everywhere, and we don't always read them although the procedures may be different from one place to another. Some responses should be the same, however, and should become automatic. The first of these is "Sound the Alarm." Even if you think you can cope with a small fire yourself, make notifying emergency services your first step.



Establishing the nationwide 911 emergency number has saved many lives, but there is a faster way once you come through our front gate. If you call 911 here, your call will go to Napa, then Fire Services in St. Helena, and then transferred back to us. So, cut to the chase and call "4848." Program that number into your memory until it is as automatic as "911" was before you came here. If your phone has emergency keys, program it into there, too.

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Yountville Veterans Home launches Innovative Program to help Returning Iraq, Afghanistan Veterans

\$5.6 million private grant ensures a strong start for "The Pathway Home"

Following receipt of a major private grant this week, the Veterans Home of California-Yountville announced the launch of "The Pathway Home," a new treatment and counseling program to assist veterans returning from Iraq and Afghanistan. The Pathway Home program will be managed as an independent program on the Veterans Home's grounds in Yountville as a project of Tides Center in San Francisco, with oversight by the California Department of Veterans Affairs.

According to Veterans Home Administrator Marcella McCormack, the Yountville Veterans Home is uniquely positioned to host this program. "This Home has been a great resource for veterans of every conflict since the Spanish-American and Civil Wars, and many of our staff and veterans are excited about being able to do our part to assist today's heroes," she said. "We hope this will become a model program that will help link the excellent work being done by the military services and the US Department of Veterans Affairs with additional resources and community assistance at the State and local level."

The \$5.6 million grant supporting this program will provide for all initial start-up costs and cover operating expenses for three years, at which time the program is expected to become self-sustaining through partnerships and endowments.

The Pathway Home program is designed to encompass an innovative combination of proven treatment modalities and several promising new methods and techniques, and will integrate transition care for returning veterans with follow-on support for them and their families in a community setting. Iraq and Afghanistan veterans will spend 60 to 120 days in residence at the Yountville Home, in some cases accompanied by their spouses. After completing the residential portion of the program, veterans and their families will return to their homes and communities but will continue to participate in The Pathway Home program. Counselors and other program employees will stay in regular contact with each veteran and their family to ensure long-term successful reintegration.

The program will be housed in Madison Hall, a former long-term care building on the Yountville Home's 500-acre campus, which was rehabilitated specifically to house this program by the California National Guard 578th and 579th Engineer Battalions in March of this year. Veterans will be referred to the Pathway Home program by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Polytrauma Center in Palo Alto and other sources, including the California National Guard. Any veteran with disabilities, including stress disorders, stemming from the Iraq and Afghanistan conflicts, may be eligible for admission to the Pathway Home Program. All applicants will be individually assessed to determine their suitability for program.



ENTERTAINMENT

Noon Music and Food Booths open

12:00 – 1:30 pm Lindalou and Michael, Folk Music

12:00 – 4:00 pm Black Hat, Balloonist

2:00 – 3:30 pm Live Music: The Treatment, Classic Rock

4:00 – 4:30 pm Dollies Tap Dancers

4:30 – 5:00 pm Patriotic Music

5:00 – 6:00 pm Mark Heims, Country

5:30 – 7:30 pm Violet the Clown

7:00 – 9:00 pm Mick Martin, Blues

ACTIVITIES

12:00 pm Yountville Community Pool opens

6:00 pm Children's Parade

6:30 pm Patriotic Ceremony

9:30 pm Fireworks

Please, no bicycles, skateboards, scooters
No open Flames • No Unauthorized Sales
Supervised Dets on Leash Allowed

Joe DiMaggio 4th of July Baseball Tournament at Borman Field

Fri, June 29 5:30 pm

Sat, June 30 9:00 am, 11:30 am, 2:30 pm, 5:00 pm

Sun, July 01 9:00 am, 11:30 am, 2:15 pm, 5:00 pm

Mon, July 02 10:00 am, 1:00 pm, 4:00 pm

Tues, July 03 10:00 am, 1:00 pm, 4:00 pm

Wed, July 04 10:00 am, 1:00 pm, 3:45 pm

Elks Flag Day Program and Picnic

By Lou Zauner

The Great Northwest District Elks launched the first of the great picnics of the year at the Main Picnic Grounds. Beginning at 10:30 am on Saturday, June 9, the annual Flag Day Program was expertly orchestrated and a totally inspiring tribute to our Flag witnessed by a crowd of over 400.

From the bandstand, Master of Ceremonies, Gene Beckel's opening statements set the tone for the day, "Welcome! Many years ago the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks made a solemn pledge that as long as there are veterans in our homes and hospitals the Elks will never forget them This has been amended to state, 'As long as there are Veterans--the Elks will never forget them.' The 11 Elks Lodges of the Great Northwest Elks District are proud to host this joint Flag Day program and picnic to honor our Flag and all the veterans at the California State Veterans Home at Yountville." Also, in the comments that followed, the attending audience was reminded that Flag Day's origin was designated by the BPO Elks Grand Lodge in 1908 to be observed annually on June 14.





Sharing the stage with Gene Beckel were numerous GND Elks dignitaries, three Miss California contestants and their sponsors, Verna Jacobs and Lani Robertson of the Miss Napa County Scholarship Program, and the San Mateo Elks Band. A special

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far left: Bus
Langdon, Claire
Camp, Brooke
Ingram, Gene
Beckel, Sarah
Ramming, Chuck
Shallenberger.

left: Gene Beckel, Bus Langdon, Chuck Shallenberger, Marcella McCormack, Charles Blake.



Bob Rasmussen, Marcella McCormack, Bus Langdon.

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honored guest was Lt. Colonel (Ret) Charles Shallenberger, a WWII P-38 pilot and recipient of the Distinguished Flying Cross. The Exalted Ruler for the Flag Day Ceremony was Charles Blake, of the Eureka Lodge.

Among the many patriotic rituals and inspiring statements honoring the Flag was the always-impressive Flag History ritual: "the carrying of the banners" beginning with the "Liberty Tree" flag from 1620 to 1775, followed by the "Gadsden" flag from 1776 to 1777--continuing through "Stars and Stipes" flags and ending with the current 50-star US flag and the POW/MIA flag.

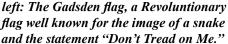
Bus Langdon, Elks National Veterans Service Chairman and BPOE Representative and devoted friend of the Veterans Home, introduced Bob Rasmussen of the Vallejo Lodge who presented Home Administrator Marcella McCormack with a special embroidered American flag which had flown over Iraq and had been given to him along with a certificate of its history. Administrator McCormack reminded the audience of the loneliness that our veterans "away from home" had endured and the comfort the Flag provided then and still continues with our troops across the world.

With the official ceremonies concluded, the long lines to the picnic tables began to be served hot dogs, hamburgers with cheese and all the salad trimmings and condiments, macaroni salad and--great chili! Beer and assorted sodas were available at the refreshment stand; and donuts passed-out by Elk volunteers for those who wanted dessert.

The Junior ROTC Air Force Cadets from Novato and the Air Force personnel from Travis Air Force Base were on hand to serve and assist the Home Members. In addition to the grand patriotic music during the ceremonies, the San Mateo Elks band continued to provide entertaining and familiar melodies during the afternoon to the 1:30 conclusion.

Another superlative and inspiring Flag Day Program and Picnic provided by our devoted friends, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Our sincere thanks and appreciation go to all of you who made this outstanding event possible.

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ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER
THE PEOPLE'S GOVERNOR



PROCLAMATION

06/14/2007

June 14, 2007, as "Flag Day"

PROCLAMATION

by the

Governor of the State of California



Whether it's on a dusty patch on a soldier's sleeve or waving brilliantly above our nation's Capitol, the flag of the United States is a tangible, powerful reminder of the country we love and the freedoms we hold dear. The Stars and Stripes became our nation's official flag by an act of the Second Continental Congress on June 14, 1777, and we are proud to celebrate this anniversary as Flag Day.

Our country is rife with symbols of America's liberty, strength and unity – from Mount Rushmore and the bald eagle, to Lady Liberty and our own spectacular Golden Gate Bridge. However, none of these symbols has the same ability to stir the emotions and inspire the soul as our unmistakable flag of red, white and blue. It doesn't matter if you're at a ball game, in a classroom or standing solemnly at the funeral of a fallen hero, the flag of the United States evokes the most poignant feelings of gratitude and resolve.

I encourage all Californians to appropriately display the Stars and Stripes each day, and especially on Flag Day. This demonstration of patriotism is a wonderful expression of our love for America, as well as our allegiance to our flag and great blessings for which it stands.



NOW, THEREFORE, I, ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER, Governor of the State of California, do hereby proclaim June 14, 2007, as "Flag Day."

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have here unto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 11th day of June 2007.

Flag Retirement Ceremony

By Chris Williams



above: David Wells, Tom Sarciapone

"It may be challenging in your community," say The Flag Keepers, "to find an organization to properly and respectfully dispose of a tattered or faded flag. Try contacting the American Legion, VFW or Boy Scouts."

Carl Johnson (*pictured at the right*), leader of Boy Scout troop #270 in Fairfield, would agree. He brought thirty flags from people and organizations that have sought him out. They were added to the two hundred or so that were retired in a ceremony at the Veterans Home on Flag Day, June 14th.



Tom Sarciapone led a group in the solemn ceremony which emphasized the history and mean-

ing of the flag, and Dave May and Dave Stevenson read a message from our Administrator which highlighted the meaning of the occasion. Firefighters from the California Department of Forestry lit and supervised the fires. The ashes will then be gathered and buried, following the rules governing display and use of the flag.



left: Firefighters Matt Newberry & Shepley Schroth-Cary "No disrespect should be shown to the flag of the United State of America; The Flag, when it is in such condition that it is no longer a fitting emblem for display, should be destroyed in a dignified way, preferably by burning."



Residential Care Service is throwing their Annual Picnic on Saturday, July 14, 2007. Delicious barbecued New York steaks, hamburgers and hot dogs and more will be served at the Main Picnic Grounds from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The "Dry Creek Band" will be there to provide fun, toe-tappin', country music from the 11:30 am through 2:30 pm.

Section Members, please sign up in your section for your free ticket and bring it with you to the picnic. Guest tickets may also be purchased from Section Leaders for \$10.00.

We look forward to seeing you at the Best Picnic of the Year!

Temporary Closure of Sewing Room

Effective immediately, the Sewing Room will be temporary closed and not accepting any alterations until July 23rd when the seamstress returns from medical leave of absence. If you have further questions, please call Gwen Culpepper Laundry Supervisor II or Luis Uribe Laundry Supervisor I at 944-4826 or 944-4823.

By Lou Zauner; Photos by Glen Nock, Neil Remnant, Lou Zauner

The Top Three Council of the 349th Air Mobility Wing at Travis again presented the Home with an outpouring of dedication and gratitude to our Home Members at its 6th annual tribute held at the Hospital Recreation Area, Saturday June 16, beginning at 10 am. A large attendance of over 300 Hospital Residents, Home Members, Staff and guests were hosted by 108 Air Force personnel and family members from Travis. General

Operation Gratitude 2007
Sixth Year of Honor to the Veterans Home

Tom Gisler summarized it all in his comments regarding the current strength and technical status of our armed forces, "You have allowed us to be what we are today."

The hundreds of Home Members seated at ten long white-clothed and flower-decorated tables, were served pancakes, assorted pastries, ham, eggs, fruit, mimosas, orange juice and coffee by their Air Force hosts. All of the preparation and set up of the decorations, the food and beverages, and the final cleanup and dismantling was provided by the Air Force Travis 349th. A large number of community service organizations and business firms funded the event and generous gifts given to the Home Members.

The program agenda – Posting of Colors, the National Anthem, and Invocation – was preceded by the "POW/MIA Table Ceremony." This dramatic and poignant presentation, which embraces the grief of loss for the five services' missing members at the dining table, evokes deep and tearful emotions regardless of how many times one has witnessed it.

Cover Photo

Home Member Helen Lee is greeted and escorted by service members from the 349th Air Mobility Wing from Travis. The photo was taken by Glen Nock.

Home Administrator Marcella McCormack expressed sincere appreciation to General Gisler and his Air Force personnel for honoring the Veterans





Behind the scenes the action was fast and efficient, serving up hundreds of plates for the Home Members.

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and their Home and reminded all, "The Veterans Home has been here for 124 years and will continue to be for another 124." General Tom Gisler thanked the Veterans for their service with the reminder that "Freedom is not free." General Gisler also presented Sergeant Stanley Davis (pictured at the right) with a special award for his 5-years of devoted service to Operation



Gratitude. Mayor of Fairfield Harry Price expressed his pride for the Travis Air Force Base and its personnel and with thanks and honor to the Veterans, he stated, "We are all privileged to be Americans today."

At the conclusion of the program, as if the gratitude of the 349th Air Mobility Wing, their family members and volunteers was not enough; they individually passed through the crowd in a sincere show of comradeship, pressing the hands of Home Veterans and expressing their appreciation for the Veterans honored service.

Thank you to the 349th Air Mobility Wing for bringing us the annual Operation Gratitude, and for all the hard working volunteers.

The Sun Stood Still

The Longest Day

By Chris Williams

The summer solstice occurs at 11:06 am on June 21st. The word 'solstice' comes from Latin for 'sun stands still,' and, indeed, it appears to stall in the heavens at its highest point of the year. The first day of summer has never received the attention given to the first day of winter. Perhaps that is because some ancient pessimists feared that days would continue to get shorter and shorter until we lived in the dark.

Enjoy the long days of summer, particularly the Dog Days which stretch from July 3rd to August 11th. Dog Days were not named for Brandy, but for Sirius, (the dog star) which is prominent in the heavens during this period. Those same ancients dreaded them as a time of discomfort and contagion -- you can pass them in air-conditioned ease. You can avoid those outside activities you don't want to do anyway with the handy excuse, 'It's too darned hot!'

To Celebrate Parents

Photos by Glen Nock

On May 13th and June 17th the Main Dining Room provided feasts to celebrate Mother's Day and Father's Day.



Mother's Day in the United States is loosely inspired by the British Holiday, was celebrated first in 1907 and declared an official holiday by some of the states

in 1912. In 1914 President Woodrow Wilson declared the first national Mother's Day. Mother's Day now is the most popular day of the year to dine out in a restaurant.

One of the driving forces behind the establishment of a holiday devoted to fathers was Mrs. Sonora Smart Dodd.

Her father, a Civil war veteran, as a single par-







Members of the Mendocino County Chapter of the Harley Owners Group cleared the tables and visited with the Home Members on Father's Day.

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Smoke is unpleasant to encounter, and our first impulse is to open doors and windows to dissipate it. Resist that and close them to keep the smoke contained. The most common sources here are the kitchens, burnt toast or overcooked food on stove or in microwave. Supervise your cooking. Someone in the hospital put a potato in a microwave, punched forty minutes instead of four, and left. Ever seen and smelled a potato that's been microwaved for forty minutes?

Finally, treat fire drills as serious rehearsals. Close all windows and doors and evacuate quickly. The time it takes to get all residents out of the building is recorded and taken seriously.

Foresight and planning went into the construction of the buildings at the Home to make them as fire resistant as possible. We don't want to defeat that effort with our own carelessness.



:: Paws with Brandy :

Games People Play

Jack Furey, an otherwise civilized man, invited me to shoot some golf. Well, darlings, I'm too tender hearted a girl to shoot anything, and I don't believe in blood sports. Yes, I confess that I chase squirrels, but that's never been fatal. To the squirrels, that is. I ran into a tree once and almost knocked myself out. I did manage to dig up a gopher. He just waddled off to another hole, but I gave him a sniffing he'll never forget.

Golf have rights, and don't forget, some of them might be mothers. Besides, I've tasted golfs; they're hard to peel (see photo), and, no, they don't taste like chicken. Have you talked to people who have eaten weird stuff? They always say the same thing:



I thought this one was dead when I tasted it. No! It stung me with its tentacles when I bit it! I guess they're like possums, so be careful!

"What does crocodile taste like?"

"Tastes a lot like chicken."

or

"Rattlesnake? Purdy much like chicken."

Well, golfs don't taste like chicken. They taste like Goodyear tires, and I've sampled a couple of those.

If, despite my warnings, you are interested in tramping around after golfs, it's easy to do. I thought the place down the hill was a golf refuge, but you're allowed to shoot them there. If you want to know how to get involved, just ask Bernard at the Activities office. He'll even tell you how to get some clubs. How you shoot them with clubs, I don't know.

To the Editor:

It is gracious of your columnist, Brandy, to mention my civilized qualities, but I fear she has gone astray on some of the finer points of golf. As a past recipient of the Quality of Life award, she will recognize that we share the same goals: enhanced health and involvement in life.

The Veterans Home Golf Club has grown to thirty two members and represent only some of those enjoying the benefits of this sport, absorbing at all levels. Participation could not be easier or less costly. If you are familiar with the green fees being charged at some courses, you will be surprised at what it costs us here. Nothing on Monday through Thursday, with clubs and amenities included.

The Golf Club meets monthly to plan activities, including excursions to other courses. This week we went to Travis Air Force Base. Join us for camaraderie and health. Expect an increase in flexibility and endurance. You could use that, Brandy. See you on the links. ••

Loss/Grief/Healing Support Group for Staff

Every Third Tuesday of Each Month

This group is for the support staff members through feelings of loss and grief. Losses may be felt when patients/members who we care for become ill, disabled, and eventually die. Personal life losses and grief that is affecting you may also be discussed.

Oscar Panizo from Hospice of Napa Valley facilitates the group. People attending the group will have the option to just listen or to share and participate in the discussion, as they feel comfortable. Anything shared in this group will be confidential.

Carmen Vivian can be contacted for questions, ext. 2540.

Bernard's Sports

Déjà vu is all I can say.

On Tuesday, June 5th Al Meriano from Section C hit a hole in one at Vintner's Golf Course. He hit another hole in one less than three weeks ago. He got it on the same hole with the same witness Olin Woods. This time he used a six iron instead of a five iron.

On June 6th we had a Dominos Tournament in our Game Room. Third place went to Jerry Massey; second place went to Carl Banks. For the first time there was a tie for first place. The co-winners were Dan Goodman and Chris Mullarky.



College Scholarship for Yountville Veteran's Home Staff

Up to \$1,500 will be awarded in 2007

The Yountville Veterans Home Scholarship was created in memory of Lisette Kathryn Bannister, a 17-year resident of the Home, and Keontae Jovance Cooper, son of Keith Cooper, Sr., a long time employee at the Home. Lisette was an Army Nurse Corps Veteran who served during WWII. This scholarship was created to honor the wonderful and devoted employees who take care of our Veteran's residing at the Veterans Home of California, Yountville.

The scholarship is open to staff or children of the staff at the Yountville Veteran's Home. The candidate may be a graduating high school senior, already attending college or a returning college student. The scholarship is for students who are currently or planning to enroll in no fewer than 6 units in the 2007/2008 academic year. Scholarships totaling \$1,500 will be awarded in 2007 based on qualifications of scholarship applications received by the due date of June 15, 2007.

Donations to the scholarship fund may be sent to Katy Bannister, Post Office Box 812, Capitola, CA 95010. Donors will be honored during the annual awards presentation, and recognized in a brochure being created to advertise the scholarship. It is anticipated that, with sufficient funds, this scholarship will be awarded annually.

For more information, or to receive an application, please contact Mary Bannister at 831-684-0311, or Katy Bannister at 831-477-9460. For an on-line application please email a request to YountvilleVetsScholarshipFund@gmail.com



Festival del Sole 'Flicka' and 'Jimmy' Open at Lincoln Theatre

By Chris Williams

Well, perhaps we don't know them that well. Stellar international artists will join the Russian National Symphony in the opening performance at Lincoln Theatre on July 13th. That Friday the 13th will be a lucky day for us all.

A soldier was killed in the waning days of World War II two months before his daughter, 'Flicka', would be born and grow to be an American gift to the world, the acclaimed mezzo soprano, Frederica von Stade. Miss Stade was a highlight of last year's Festival and her return is an event eagerly anticipated. The list of honors she has garnered would be as long as the performances she has given. Since she now lives in the Bay area, we can think of her as our "home town girl."

Sir James (he doesn't object to 'Jimmy') and Lady Jeanne Galway, flute players' of equal renown, will also contribute to what promises to be an incredible evening. All right, now. About the "flute players." Sir James has said, "I am not a flautist. (The

high-falutin' term) I do not play a flaut. I am a flute player." Does it rather well, too, becoming known as "the man with the golden flute." With his American born wife, Jeanne, he tours constantly, and they will offer Cimerosa's Concerto for Two Flutes in the concert.

Pick up a schedule of Festival del Sole events in the Activities office or at the Lincoln Theatre, and prepare for two weeks of wonder. Just don't get in front of me in line on Ticket Tuesdays.



Gettysburg - Special Movie Event in Grant Hall

By James B. Musson, Home Member



In a two-part presentation at 6 pm on Monday, July 2 and Tuesday, July 3, an epic docudrama will be shown in Grant Hall commemorating the 144th anniversary of Gettysburg, the great battle of the Civil War. This 3 ½ star film (4 hours, 8 minutes) was released in 1193 and is based on Michael Shaara's Pulitzer Prize winning novel *The Killer Angels*.

The numerous film stars were supported by over 5000 Civil War re-enactors in the battle scenes that were filmed at the Gettysburg National Military Park in Pennsylvania. Randy Edelman wrote a superb score which is a vehicle that moves us through the scenes of this magnificent film.

There are 2273 Civil War veterans resting in peace in our Veterans Home Cemetery. It is not known how many of that number saw action at Gettysburg, but surely some of them did. It is in their memory that this film is presented.

Napa Valley Museum presents ...

Sat Jun 23 12-2 pm A Trek Up the Napa River with Captain Kevin Trzcinski, Napa River Adventuress. Meet at the Kennedy Park dock at noon for an exciting two-hour tour that uncovers Napa's little-known historical sites such as the location of China Point, settlement to over 200 early Chinese settlers. Learn about Napa River fish and birds - wood ducks, herons, egrets, grebes, as well as the endangered Clapper Rail. Feel free to bring picnic supplies and don't forget your camera! \$30 for members, \$35 for non-members. Call 707.944.0500 for reservations.



Art Exhibit Review

By James B. Musson, Home Member, Napa Valley Museum Volunteer

Currently on exhibit at the Napa Valley Museum through July 8th is "Northern Views: California Painting in the Plein Air Tradition." This is the museum's third Plein Air exhibition and features 72 paintings, mostly by California artists, in a variety of media that includes oil, pastel and watercolor.

These paintings, if not completed entirely on-site outdoors, were started outdoors and finished in the studio. Three jurors – two past presidents of the Plein Air Painters of America and the executive director of the Irvine Museum – made their selection from nearly 250 submitted works.

Three cash prizes will be awarded to the winning pieces – Jurors' Award, \$1000; Artists' Choice, \$500; and People's Choice, \$500 – and three honorary awards of First, Second and Third places. The People's Choice award is determined by those who visit the museum. So when you visit – Wednesday through Monday from 10 am to 5 pm – be sure to cast your ballot. It is not as easy as it seems because there are many outstanding works on display and

you can choose only one. I don't want to influence your choice so I am not listing my Favorite Fabulous Four. I'll save that for my next art review.

And if you want to pick up that perfect gift before you leave the museum, note that the Museum Gift Shop has been moved up to the exhibit floor. Plus, there are various items available at 75% off! Have you ever heard of a "fire sale" at a museum?

The display cases with permanent exhibits have been moved downstairs to join the other permanent exhibits.

Remember all Home Members are eligible for a free lifetime museum membership by applying at the Allied Council office. See you at the museum.





Sun June 24 3:00 pm Way Off Broadway - Lincoln Theater's Student Outreach Program

presents: One of New York's most prestigious children's theater companies returns by popular demand for another production! Last year local students participated in this week-long workshop of theatrical skill-building, creative thinking and group participation, culminating in a performance that brought down the house! The Workshop is open to students ages 7-17. Limited space is available – early registration is suggested. To enroll call Patricia at 944-5814. Underwriting provided by The Communications Workers of America Local #9404.



Festival del Sole returns July 13th

ffering a triumphant mix of music, food and wine, the Festival del Sole returns to Napa Valley July 13-22 – ten days of top international musicians, celebrity chefs, the finest wines, and the incomparable beauty of Napa Valley. Festival del Sole takes place in various venues in the Napa Valley and includes the following events at the Lincoln Theater:

Fri, Jul 13 6 pm	Festival del Sole: Featuring Frederica Von Stade, Sir James and Lady Jeanne Galway, Russian National Orchestra, Stéphane Denève.
Sat, Jul 14 6 pm	Festival del Sole, Castello di Amorosa: Featuring Danielle de Niese, David Daniels, Philharmonia Baroque Orchestra, Nicholas McGegan
Sun, Jul 15 2 pm	Festival del Sole: Featuring: Anton Nel, University of Texas at Austin Wind Ensemble, Jerry F. Junkin
Mon, Jul 16 6 pm	Festival del Sole: Featuring: Fabio Bidini, Russian National Orchestra, Carlo Ponti, Jr.
Tue, Jul 17 6 pm	Festival del Sole, Castello di Amorosa: Featuring: Sir James and Lady Jeanne Galway, Nina Kotova, Fabio Bidini, Lisa Delan
Wed, Jul 18 6 pm	Festival del Sole: Featuring: Joshua Bell, Nina Kotova, Russian National Orchestra
Fri, Jul 20 6 pm	Festival del Sole: Featuring: Jean-Yves Thibaudet, Dmitry Sitkovetsky, Russian National Orchestra, Stéphane Denève
Sat, Jul 21 2 pm	Festival del Sole, Napa Valley Opera House: Featuring Danielle de Niese, Antonio Pappano
Sun, Jul 22 6 pm	Festival del Sole: Featuring: Nikolaj Znaider, Piotr Anderszewski, Russian National Orchestra, Antonio Pappano

Borman Field Baseball Schedule

Date	Game Time	Host Org.	Home Team	Visiting Team
Saturday, June 23	11:00 AM	NVBC	Napa Jr. Legion	Petaluma Leghorns
Sunday, June 24	01:00 PM 10:00 AM 01:00 PM 04:00 PM	NVBC	Napa Jr. Legion Joe DiMaggio	Petaluma Leghorns
Monday, June 25	05:00 PM	NVBC	Napa Jr. Legion - Bl	ue NVBC - Cardinal
Wednesday, June 27	7 05:00 PM	NVBC	Napa Legion	Petaluma Leghorn's
Thursday, June 28	11:00 AM 02:00 PM	NVBC NVBC	Napa Legion Napa Legion	B & L Tournament B & L Tournament
Friday, June 29	10:00 AM 01:00 PM	NVBC NVBC	Napa Legion Napa Legion	B & L Tournament B & L Tournament
Saturday, June 30	05:30 PM		Joe DiMaggio Fourth	of July Tournament
Saturday, June 30	9:00 AM 11:30 AM 02:30 PM 05:00 PM			
Sunday, July 01	9:00 AM 11:30 AM 02:15 PM 05:00 PM		Joe DiMaggio Fourth	n of July Tournament
Monday, July 02	10:00 AM 01:00 PM 04:00 PM		Joe DiMaggio Fourth	n of July Tournament
Tuesday, July 03	10:00 AM 01:00 PM 04:00 PM		Joe DiMaggio Fourth	n of July Tournament
Wednesday, July 04	10:00 AM 01:00 PM 03:45 PM		Joe DiMaggio Fourth	n of July Tournament
Saturday, July 07	11:00 AM 01:45 PM 04:30 PM		Joe DiMaggio	
Sunday, July 08	11:00 AM 01:45 PM 04:30 PM		Joe DiMaggio	
Tuesday, July 10	05:00 PM	NVBC	Napa Legion	Sonoma County Rebels
Wednesday, July 11	05:00 PM	NVBC	Napa Legion	B & L Properties
Thursday, July 12	05:30 PM	NVBC	Napa Jr. Legion - Bl	ue Petaluma Leghorns
Friday, July 13	05:00 PM	NVBC	Napa Legion	Petaluma Leghorn's
Saturday, July 14	11:00 AM	NVBC	Napa Legion	Chico Nuts
	02:00 PM	NVBC	Napa Legion	Chico Nuts
Sunday, July 15	11:00 AM	NVBC	Napa Legion	Petaluma Leghorn's
	02:00 PM 05:00 PM	NVBC	Napa Jr. Legion	Chico - Red
Tuesday, July 17	05:30 PM	NVBC	Napa Jr. Legion	Sonoma County Rebels
Wednesday, July 18	03:30 PM	NVBC	Napa Jr. Legion - Bl	
	06:00 PM	NVBC	Napa Jr. Legion - Bl	
Thursday, July 19	05:30 PM	NVBC	Napa Jr. Legion - Bl	ue Sonoma County Rebels



Residential Care Special Events

Sign up early! Activities can fill quickly. All activities are subject to change due to bus and driver availability.

June 2007 Date		Time	Event	Bus	Site	Signup
23	Sat	10:00 am	SF Giants/NY Yankees	MBS	Site	Yes
26	Tue	9:00 am	Ticket Tuesday		LL	
28	Thu	6:00 pm	Pinochle Tournament		LL	Yes
30	Sat	10:00 am	Fairfield Mall	MBS		Yes
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Date		Time	Event	Bus	Site	Signup
2	Mon	5:30 pm	Gettysburg Movie part 1		GH	J .
3	Tue	5:30 pm	Gettysburg Movie part 2		GH	
4	Wed	12:00 pm	Fourth of July Celebration near the	Adminis	stration B	uilding
10	Tue	9:00 am	Allied Council		GH	
11	Wed	10:00 am	Memory Care Center Dedication		XI	
		12:30 pm	LeMelange Academy	MDR		Yes
12	Thu	10:00 am	Remembrance Service		Chp	
13	Fri	6:00 pm	Russian National Orchestra		LT	Yes
14	Sat	10:00 am	Giants vs. Dodgers	MBS		Yes
		2:00 pm	Poets & Writers		LL	
15	Sun	2:00 pm	U of Texas Wind Ensemble		LT	Yes
		4:00 pm	Rivercats vs. Portland	MBS		Yes
16	Mon	6:00 pm	Russian National Orchestra		LT	Yes
18	Wed	10:00 am	Oakland vs. Texas	MBS		Yes
		6:00 pm	Russian National Orchestra		LT	Yes
20	Fri	6:00 pm	Russian National Orchestra		LT	Yes
21	Sat	10:00 am	Sonoma Co. Fair Horseracing	MDR		Yes
22	Sun	10:00 am	Oakland A's vs. Baltimore	MBS		Yes
		11:00 am	VFW Picnic		MPG	
		6:00 pm	Russian National Orchestra		LT	Yes
23	Mon	4:00 pm	Rivercats vs. Salt Lake City	MBS		Yes
25	Wed	12:00 pm	LeMelange Academy	MDR		Yes

2007 Grapevine Deadlines and Distribution Dates Please note new deadlines:

Month Jun	Deadline 28	Distribution
Jul	13, 27	6, 20
Aug	10, 24	3, 17, 31
Sep	7, 21	14, 28
Oct	4, 19	12, 26
Nov	2, 14, 30	9, 21
Dec	14, 28	7, 21

Event Key – 1C/1D: Hospital 1C/1D patio; Bor: Borman Field; Chp: Chapel; GH: Grant Hall; GR: Games Room; HL: Hospital Lobby; HRA: Hospital Recreation Area; Lib: Lincoln Library, LL: Lee Lounge; LT: Lincoln Theater; MBS: Main Bus Stop; MDR: Main Dining Room; MPG: Main Picnic Grounds; SF: San Francisco; Tav: Tavern; VHC: Veterans Home Cemetery; VGC: Vintners Golf Course; VHL: Veterans Home Lanes; XI: Annex I; XII: Annex II; Ynt: Yountville; YVP: Yountville Veterans Park.

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OVIE NIGHT IN GRANT HA



Fri, Jun 22 - "The Painted Veil"

A new (2006) film drama stars Naomi Watts and Edward Norton. An adaptation of Somerset Maugham's novel which tells the story of a spoiled, beautiful young woman who marries an adoring doctor. They move to colonial era Shanghai and when the wife is unfaithful, the husband moves them to a cholera-ravaged village deep in China as punishment. The story examines the couple's struggles including reclaimed love. Beautifully photographed in China. Excellent acting. ☆☆☆☆

Wed, Jun 27 – "Postcards From The Edge"

A 1990 comedy/drama stars Meryl Strepp, Shirley MacLaine, Dennis Quaid, Gene Hackman, Richard Dreyfuss, Rob Reiner and Annette Bening. This film version of Carrie Fisher's bestselling autographical novel is a witty expose of Hollywood in the fast lane. Fisher also wrote the screenplay about the fictionalized story of herself, her pursuit of an acting career and her famous show-business mother (Debbie Reynolds) played by MacLaine. Directed by Mike Nichols. ☆☆☆ ½



Fri, Jun 29 – "Notes On A Scandal"

A new (2006) excellent film drama with outstanding performances by Judi Dench and Cate Bianchett. They play teachers at a London school who become friendly while completely misreading each other's intentions. The story involves lust, greed, envy, secrets, lies and betrayal. A stylish thriller. ☆☆☆ ½



Wed. July 4 – Fourth of July Celebration, no movie scheduled.

Fri, Jul 6 - "Dream Girls"

A new (2006) award-winning musical movie stars Jamie Foxx, Beyonce Knowles, Eddie Murphy and Jennifer Hudson. Musical and dramatic moments make this the best musical film of 2006. A good but not great movie. Hudson won "Best Supporting Actress" Oscar.



HRA Movies at 6:00 pm

Tuesday, June 26 – "Forrest Gump" A 1994 movie with Tom Hanks, Sally Fields and Robin Wright Penn.



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Wednesdays &

Fridays

Special selected presentations at

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Feature Film

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